## Designed for use on all XpressNet systems



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## Welcome!

Congratulations for purchasing the Digital plus by Lenz ${ }^{\text {® }}$ LH90 throttle. We wish you much enjoyment with using this XpressNet based throttle with your NMRA DCC model railroad control system.
The LH90 hand held controller is a universal data input device in the Digital plus by Lenz ${ }^{\circ}$ system. With it you can:

- operate your locomotives
- use smart-consisting to assemble, operate, and disassemble multiunit consists.
- throw turnouts, set signals or activate uncoupling tracks
- program locomotive and accessory decoders as well as feedback devices
- read out and set handheld configurations

This operation manual is intended to make using the LH90 easy for you. To get started, first read the section "First Steps". After you have understood the basic locomotive control, you can familiarize yourself with the full range of functions of this hand held controller step by step and put them to use.
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## Do you have everything?

You should have the LH90, Coil cord and DIN and Manual. If an item is missing, please contact your retailer or Lenz to have the item replaced.

## 1 Overview

Important advice, please read first!
Your LH90 hand held throttle is a component of your Digital plus by Lenz ${ }^{\circledR}$ system and was submitted to intensive testing before delivery. Lenz Elektronik GmbH guarantees faultfree operation if the advice given below is followed:
The LH90 is authorized for operation only with a system that fully supports XpressNet such as any Digital plus by Lenz ${ }^{\circledR}$ system. Any use other than the one described in this operating manual is not permitted and all guarantees become invalid if the LH90 is used in an inappropriate way.
The operation of LH90 requires Digital plus system version 3 or greater. The LH90 cannot to be used with devices which use older software versions.

Do not connect the LH90 to any other device. Even if other devices use the same connectors, you must not operate the LH90 with those devices. The fact that the connectors are similar does not automatically mean that you may use them for operation, even if you are dealing with other model railroad control systems.

Do not expose the LH90 to moisture or direct sunlight.

### 1.1 The range of functions of the LH90

- With the LH90 you may control up to 9999 digital locomotives independently. With address 0 you control a conventional locomotive without a decoder with your system.
- You can address up to 28 functions in your locomotive decoders, if your command Station supports F0 and F1-28. You can on a locomotive per locomotive basis set F1-F28 to be momentary or on/off.
- Depending on the command station used (LZ100, LZV100, SET02, "compact"), you can control, assemble and delete multiple units (consists).
- You can set the running-notches (speed steps) mode for the locomotive address currently displayed.
- Locomotive features such as starting and braking delay can be set through "programming on the main" (operations mode programming) or through "programming in service mode".
- The LH90 can also switch turnouts. Depending on the command station used, you can switch up to 999 turnouts (and signals).


### 1.2 What's New in Version 3.6?

We have added several major improvements in Version 3.6. These Include Shortcut Menu Keys for the most important operations support for functions F1-F28, ability to set up momentary functions and improving throttle handoff of operating locomotives.

### 1.3 Notations and symbols:

( $\Rightarrow$ P. 23) This shift indicates particular pages of the operating manual which contain further information on the subject under discussion.

Texts marked with this symbol and a frame contain information and advice of special importance.

## 2 Your First LH90 Session

### 2.1 Connecting the LH90 to your DCC System

Plug one end of the coil cable with the phone connector into the socket of the LH90. Pug the end of the cable with the 5 pin din plug into your Digital plus by Lenz* XpressNet.
As is the case with all XpressNet devices, your LH90 can be disconnected and reconnected during operation. To make use of this feature of XpressNet, install several LA152 adapters or din sockets around your layout. This keeps operators close to the action.

## Connecting to a LZ100 or LZV100 command station

Plug the 5-pole DIN-plug

- into the 5-pole DIN-socket at the rear of your LZ100/LZV100 or
- into a LA152 adapter (or Atlas Panel \#322), or din socket on the back side of the Command Station, the LZ100/LZV100.


## Connecting to a "compact" or Atlas Commander

Plug the 5-pole DIN-plug into a LA152 adapter or din socket that is connected to the "compact" or Atlas Commander.

## Setting the XpressNet address

For fault-free exchange of information with the command station, each input device connected to the XpressNet must have its own unique device address. It is necessary to ensure that all connected devices have different addresses. Up to 31 devices can be connected to the XpressNet, i.e. the addresses 1 to 31 can be used. From the factory each LH90 throttle is set to the address 02. If you are already operating another XpressNet device with this address, you will have to assign a different address to your LH90. You will find information on the setting of the XpressNet address in section 13.1 ( $\Rightarrow$ P. 35)

### 2.2 Running trains the first time

We assume in this example that you are operating a locomotive with the address " 3 ". On delivery you can access the addresses 1 to 8 quickly and easily by pressing key "A" repeatedly.

1. Connect your LH90 to your Digital plus system ( $\Rightarrow P .5$ )
2. Place the locomotive with address 3 on the track.
3. Turn the rotary control-knob to the left-hand limit-stop.
4. 

$\mathrm{A}^{\vee}$If the number 3 is not on the display, press the "A" key repeatedly until address " 3 " is shown on the display.
5. 5.1 If there are no flashing dots on the display, set the direction switch to up. (direction of locomotive is forward)
5.2 If you see a flashing dot in the centre of the display "0003", the LH90 is instructing you which way the direction switch must be set to control the locomotive. To control the locomotive, set the direction-switch as follows:


Up, when the upper dot flashes.


Down, when the lower dot flashes.
6.


Turn the rotary control-knob to the left. The locomotive slows down.

Turn the knob as far to the left as possible: the locomotive stops.
7.

direction-switch downwards through the centre position. This will change the direction of motion of the locomotive from forwards to backwards.

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If you flick the direction-switch to the centre position while the locomotive is in operation, the locomotive will stop with the amount of delay in braking that is set in the locomotive decoder. If you afterwards flick the switch in a different direction, the locomotive will speed up again, also with the amount of delay that is set in the decoder.
8. $\mathbf{M}$ In order to switch on the light function of the locomotive decoder, press key $0^{M} 0^{\text {" }}$. Press the key once and you will turn the light on, press it again and you will turn it off.

## 3 The operational controls of the LH90

In this section you will learn about:

- the display information and how it is presented in the operating manual
- the functioning of the LH90 rotary control-knob
- the functioning of the direction switch
- the functions of the LH90 keys


### 3.1 The LED display

The LH90 has a luminescent, 4-digit LED display. Each digit is able to display the numbers 0 to 9 as well as other special symbols.


In normal operation the address of the locomotive which you are presently controlling is constantly shown.


Dots below left, in the centre and below right are helpful for

- adjusting the direction switch when you take over a different locomotive.
- showing the functions which are on or off You will find more detailed information on this below.

In this operating manual the display is presented as follows:


### 3.2 The rotary control-knob

Turn it to the right and you increase the speed of the locomotive. Turn it to the left and you decrease the speed of the locomotive. Since the rotary control-knob has a limit-stop to the right and to the left, you will know without actually having to look, when you have reached the maximum speed or have come to a complete stop.

### 3.3 The forward/brake/reverse switch

The direction switch on the LH90 has 3 positions:


### 3.4 The keys

Only a few well-arranged keys are necessary for controlling your locomotives:
With this key you scroll through the addresses which are saved in the
"stack". When using menus this key is used to confirm a specific action
Or think of it as the "ENTER" key.
"Shift" key: when you press this key, the numbers and symbols in smaller
print on the other keys become active. This key is comparable to the
"Shift" key on a typewriter or computer. It also, ESC key.
Function 0 on/off. Function 0 is used by most decoders for the front
lighting which is dependent on the direction of motion. If the "shift" key
has been pressed, then this key is used to scroll through the menus (see
section $5 \Rightarrow P$. 13.)
These 4 keys are used to switch functions of the locomotive decoder.
The large number is the primary number and the small number is the
shifted number. (See MENU- FunC for discussion about F9-F12).
When using a menu, these keys are used to alter the value of the digits.
Emergency stop. The function of this key is settable: switching off the
voltage on the track, stopping all locomotives, or stopping the locomotive
indicated.

### 3.5 Emergency Stop Key

If you want to immediately stop operation press the
key.
The voltage on the track will be switched off, and all locomotives will immediately stop. During an emergency stop, the LED of the power station LZV flashes, and the LH90 display flashes.

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> Whenever "OFF" flashes in the display the system has been shut off. To resume operation, press the key again.
> You can customize the operation of the Emergency Stop key. See section $13(\Leftrightarrow P .33)$

## 4 Operating Locomotives

In this section you will learn about:

- the LH90s stack
- how you select a locomotive address that is in the stack
- setting the direction switch and rotary control knob to match the locomotives speed and direction
- how to acquire a locomotive that is being used by another handheld
- how to control the locomotives functions


### 4.1 The LH90s stack

The LH90 contains a stack of 8 current locomotive addresses that the LH90 can quickly switch between. When you plug your LH90 into your XpressNet, the displays shows the address of the locomotive that is being controlled. To control a different locomotive you will have to select a different address. There are two ways of changing the address of the locomotive that the LH90 will control.
Either you scroll through the stack until the desired address is displayed or, if the address is not currently in the stack, enter a new address in the stack.

### 4.1.1 Scrolling through the stack

The "stack" of addresses facilitates quick access to up to 8 locomotive addresses. The stack size is adjustable from 2 to 8 address slots using the SYS menu (see section 13). Each position within of the stack can be assigned to any locomotive address
between 0 and 9999. From the factory the stack size is set to 8 and the loco addresses 1 to 8 are located in the stack. Changing the address contained in a stock location is easy and is shown in the Address Menu section (see section $6 \Rightarrow \mathrm{P}$. 15). The stack size can be changed by changing a system setting. See section 13 ( $\Rightarrow \mathrm{P} .33$ ). The locomotive addresses entered in the stack are remembered by the LH90, even if the LH90 is switched off.

When pressed, this key causes the LH90 to display the next locomotive address in the stack. Having reached the bottom of the list, the following key stroke will again display the locomotive address at the top of the list. This means that you are scrolling through the stack in a forwards direction.


When you hold the " A " down, the current stack location is displayed.


Press "Shift" and then " A " to switch to the previous address in the stack or scroll backwards through the stack.

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    * If the locomotive address is an MU address (see section 7 for an explanation of MUs) then Shift "A" will scroll between different locomotives within the MU.
(7) If the display is blinking this means that another throttle currently has control of the locomotive. If you change the speed or change a function you take control from the other throttle and his or her display will start blinking.
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### 4.2 Adjusting the rotary control-knob position to the speed of the selected locomotive

If the direction switch is in the forward or reverse position and you move the knob, the locomotive will immediately change its speed to the new knob position. To prevent an immediate change in speed, it is often better to adjust the position of the rotary controlknob in the manner described below before taking control of the locomotive. This step is totally optional.

After having selected the desired address, and before moving the rotary know, the display will indicate in which direction you have to move the rotary control-knob so that the speeds of the knob and locomotive match.


If you wish to adjust the rotary control knob, but do not wish to affect the speed of the locomotive move the direction switch to the center position. Once the direction switch is in the center position you can adjust the rotary control knob until the center led is lit indicating that the speeds of the locomotive and knob are the same. This optional step is only necessary if the position of the knob is different from the speed of the locomotive you wish to control.
After you are satisfied that the speeds are similar or match set the direction switch to the desired position. Once the direction switch is set turning the knob will cause the speed of the locomotive to change.

### 4.3 Setting the Direction Switch for the correct direction of travel

Before you can control the locomotive the direction switch must match the direction of travel the locomtive was last run in. Once you have the address of the locomotive on the display and you have optionally adjusted the position of the rotary control knob, you still need to set the direction switch to the correct position as indicated by the LED in the center of the display..


Dot is not flashing: direction switch is in correct position. Take over the locomotive by turning the rotary control-knob


Dot is flashing: direction switch is in wrong position. In order to take a locomotive over, simply change the position of the direction switch.

> (8) You will immediately take over control of the locomotive address that is in the display by moving the rotary control-knob once the direction switch is in the correct position. You will know that this is the case when the direction LED in the centre is not flashing.

### 4.4 Quick function access

The LH90 can address up to 29 functions of a locomotive decoder. The status of the functions is displayed by dots on the display. The status of Functions F0-F4 is normally displayed. After the shift key has been pressed and released the status of F5-F8 are displayed
 instead of F1-F4 until another key is pressed. All Functions F1-28 can be accessed via the Func Menu (see section $9 \Rightarrow$ P. 28)

The functions 0 to 4 can be switched on and off by pressing the key once.

$0 \mathrm{M} \quad$| switches function 0 on or off |
| :--- |
| (normally the direction-dependent |
| front lighting). | off.

switches function 3 on or off.


For functions 5 to 8 you need 2 keystrokes.


Of course you can only use these functions if the decoder installed in the locomotive has corresponding function outputs and if these are connected to specific functions within the locomotive (lighting, smoke generator, coupling, sound and so on).

## 5 The menus

The LH90 is a powerful handheld with a lot of unique features. These features are accessed by selecting a specific menu. Whether you can access all the menus listed, will depend on the command station (LZ100, LZV100, SET02, "compact") to which you have connected your LH90. All the LH90 menus are accessed in the same way:

First press the "shift" key. On the display a dot will appear on the upper right hand side.

You can now scroll through the menus using this key. Press the key briefly to scroll "forwards"(sequence as shown below). Press and hold the key a little bit longer before releasing to scroll "backwards".



The "A" key is always used to select the menu that is shown on the display. After selecting with the "A" refer to the instructions specific to that menu.

The LH90 "remembers" the menu which was chosen last, even after the LH90 has been switched off. Whenever you change a menu, the menu last selected is displayed first.
If you wish to leave the menu selection and return to the last operation, press the $\square$ key
Use the Shortcut Menu keys to quickly go to common menus (see section 5.2 below)

### 5.1 Entering a number into the menu

To enter numbers (such as a locomotive address) within a menu, always follow the same procedure:
Use key 1 to alter the first digit from the left; use key 2 to alter the second digit from the left and so on. Use key 4 to alter the fourth digit from the left.
See the illustration opposite for the allocation shown on the LH90. The lines show you which
 key controls which digit.
Press the key briefly to increase the displayed value by 1. Press the key and keep it pressed: the value keeps increasing automatically.

### 5.2 Menu Shortcuts

Menu Shortcuts quickly go to one of three commonly used menus.


First press the "shift" key. On the display a dot will appear on the upper right hand side.

Press this key to enter the menus. You can scroll through the menus as described above or you can press a number key to immediately go to one of three menus.

15 The "1" shortcut key allows you to go immediately to the Address Menu. From this menu you can select a different locomotive address (see section 6)

06 The "2" shortcut key allow you to go the immediately to the turnout 26 control menu. From this menu you can control turnouts and or signals. (see section )
48 The "4" shortcut key allow you to go the immediately to the Function Group menu (see section)


## 6 Entering a new loco address into the stack The ADR Menu (Menu Shortcut 1)

From the factory addresses 1 to 8 are stored in the stack. The following procedure is used to enter a new address in place of one address in one 8 stack positions. (remember this is NOT programming the decoder but is setting the address into the LH90's "STACK".)
In the following example the address 1234 is entered in stack location 6.

$A^{\checkmark}$ Confirm the menu ADR selection by pressing "A"


Until you press the " $A$ " the digits can be changed, Once the " $A$ " is confirmed, the addresses is now located in the stack. You do not have to alter all 4 digits of the display. If certain digits already have the correct value, you can leave them as they are and go to the next digit.

To The new locomotive address will replace the old address in the stack position as soon as you confirm it with the "A" key

## 7 Multi-unit/consisting - The MU and MU- Menus

In this section you will learn:

- what a multi-unit actually is
- how to add a locomotive to a multi-unit and how to delete it afterwards
- how you set the functions of the locomotive while it is in a multi-unit
The abbreviation "MU" stands for "Multi Unit" which describes a collection or a consist of locomotives, which are operated together as a single unit.

[^0]deleted from a MU using the LH2OO which functions as a command station. All other functions for multi-units such as the controlling and accessing of functions of locomotives within a MU, are available from any connected LH90.

### 7.1 What is a multi-unit/consist?

A multi-unit is a group of locomotives that is controlled as a single unit by using a common address, referred to as the multi-unit or consist address. This multi-unit address always has two digits (1-99).
During the assembly of the MU each locomotive forming part of the MU is assigned this multi-unit address, and this is saved by the locomotive decoder in addition to its individual address. Once given a MU address, locomotive decoders forming part of the MU no longer "listen" to their own unique addresses for speed and direction commands. Instead these commands are sent to their multi-unit address. Never fear, the locomotive decoders do not forget their own unique addresses, these are saved and used when the locomotive is removed from the MU.

When you break up the MU, the multi-unit address in the locomotive decoder is deleted and the locomotive again listens to its own address.

> All locomotives which you wish to add to or delete from a MU have to be located on the track while you are in the "MU" menu! Special MU commands, are sent via the track, to locomotives during this operation. This is especially important when removing a locomotive from a multi-unit: if the remove command does not reach the locomotive decoder (due to a bad contact or because you have taken the locomotive off the track), the MU address in the decoder will not be deleted and the locomotive cannot be run at its own address!

### 7.2 Adding a locomotive to a multi-unit (MU)

Move the locomotive that you want to add into the MU to the place on your track system where you want to start controlling the MU.
Make sure that the locomotives will operate in the same direction as the MU when you add them to the MU. If your MU is supposed to run to the right when you select the forward direction then each locomotive has to be set in this same direction when it is added to the consist. This is done by using the direction switch. When confirming the locomotive address being added to the consist, if
the direction switch is up the locomotive will operate in the same direction as the consist. If the direction switch is down the locomotive will operate in the reverse direction when you operate the consist in a forward direction.

| Scroll through the stack until |
| :--- |
| the first locomotive that you |
| want to tie into the MU is |
| shown. |

Enter the menus by pressing
the shift key followed by the
"0 $0^{M}$ key.
A

Scroll further through the stack until you reach the next locomotive that you want to tie into the MU or enter the loco address. Again, change the menu and repeat the steps that you have already executed in order to tie the first locomotive into the MU. Proceed until you have tied all locomotives into the MU according to plan. Locomotives can be added or removed from a MU at any time.
( You must operate a locomotive before it can be entered into a MU. If the locomotive has not been operated first you will
get an ER03 message and the operation will not be performed.
Once the locomotive is in a MU the center LED on the display will light solid to indicate that the locomotive is in a consist.

If you want to operate the MU using the new MU address, you can either enter this new address into the stack (see section $6 \Rightarrow P .15$ ) or press the Shift key followed by the A to scroll through the addresses in the consist.
Pressing the $\hat{\mathrm{V}}^{+}$key before you have entered the new MU address will exit the MU operation

### 7.3 Removing a locomotive from a multi-unit (MU-)

Scroll through the stack until the MU is displayed or enter the address of the MU in the stack. You can also begin this operation by selecting any locomotive that is within the MU.


At the completion of the operation, the multi-unit address is displayed again. When you have deleted the last loco address from the MU, the next loco address in the stack will be displayed.

### 7.4 Operating locomotives in a MU

With Set-01, Set90, Set100 and Set-02, you can control the speed and direction of the MU from the MU address of from any
individual locomotive address that is within the MU. Locomotive functions can only be controlled at the specific locomotive address.

### 7.4.1 Displaying a multi-unit address

If you use the LH90 with a V3 or later LZ100or LZV100 command station, all multi-unit addresses are marked with the letter "M" and members of a multi-unit are marked with the center LED lit.

| 5 | A MU address is indicated by the letter <br> "M" in the display. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

If you wish to view the locomotive addresses that are currently within the MU, proceed as follows:

Whenever you see the address of the MU or a member of a
 MU on the display, you can scroll through the locomotives in the MU by pressing the shift key followed by pressing the "A" key.
After the last address in the MU has been displayed, the multi-unit/ multi unit address will be displayed when you press the shift "A" key sequence again.

### 7.4.2 Controlling functions of a locomotive within a multiunit

The speed and direction of all the locomotives within a MU is controlled via the multi-unit address. If the system implements "Smart Consisting". Speed and direction can also be controlled using any locomotive within the multi-unit. Controlling locomotive functions for a locomotive within the multi-unit can only be done via their respective locomotive address.

If you have the MU address on the display you can scroll through the MU using the shift "A" sequence until the individual locomotive address is on the display.. Now you can control the functions as desired.

### 7.5 Errors during MU operations:

Multi-units can be used with any decoder that supports "advanced consisting". All locomotive decoders of the Digital plus system which have NMRA C\&I warrants support this feature.


If displayed during adding a locomotive to a MU: You have not operated this locomotive address. You must operate a
locomotive before you can add it to an MU.

> To use MU operations, locomotive decoders have to be set to run with $28 / 128$ speed steps (CV29 Bit 2 is set).

## 8 Programming specific decoder features- The PRO Menu

In this section you will learn:

- which programming methods can be used
- how to proceed when programming

The menu "Programming" is only available when the LH90 is operated with a LZ100 or LZV100 command station.
$\rightarrow$ Pressing the $\hat{\tau}^{+}$key multiple times during programming will return the LH90 to normal operation.

There are five different methods for using the LH90 for programming specific decoder features:


Smart Addressing-One step process for programming the locomotive address on the programming track, with an address of between 1 and 9999. The system will set all the necessary CVs for you.


Programming using "Direct Mode" on an isolated programming track.


Programming using "Register Mode" on an isolated programming track.


Programming using "Page Mode" on an isolated programming track.


Programming using "Operational Mode Programming" anywhere on the layout..

The LH90 "remembers" the last programming method used and will display this mode first during the next programming session.

### 8.1 The difference between "Service Mode" and "Operations Mode" programming methods

During "Programming in operational mode" the locomotive with the decoder can be situated anywhere on the layout. To address this locomotive precisely and to distinguish it from the others, it is necessary to know the address of the locomotive. During programming in operational mode the locomotive receives an order that can be described as follows:
"Locomotive number 1234, enter value 15 in CV4!"
Only the locomotive with address 1234 will execute this order.

During "Programming in Service Mode", a dedicated section of track is used for the programming function. It is not necessary to know the address of the decoder. During this procedure the decoder receives the order:
"Enter value 15 in CV4!"
Every decoder which receives this order will also execute it. To make sure that only the desired locomotive receives the command, it is necessary to use an isolated programming track. If you wish to alter the address of a locomotive decoder then you must use "Programming in Service Mode". It should also be noted that not all decoders have the "POM" feature.

### 8.2 Reading and writing a locomotive address using "Service Mode"

The LH90 implements a one step programming mode for reading and writing a locomotive address. Using this mode all the relevant CVs are read or written in one user operation. Make sure that the locomotive whose address you wish to program is located on an isolated programming track and that this programming track is connected correctly to your command station.


At this point you must decide whether you wish to read out the address first or whether you wish to enter a new address directly.
If you wish to read out the address, proceed with the next section. If you wish to program a new address directly, proceed to section 8.2.2.

### 8.2.1 Reading out a locomotive address



If you wish to alter this address, proceed with section 8.2.2. If you wish to terminate the reading procedure, press


### 8.2.2 Setting a locomotive address

First press one of the keys "1" to "4" to begin selecting the new address to be written into the decoder.


Now, alter the respective digits in the display with keys "1" to "4". Proceed as if you were entering a new locomotive address:


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If the programming was successful, the address is displayed again.

If an error occurred during the programming procedure, a corresponding message is displayed. See section 8.3.6 ( $\Rightarrow P 27$ ). Delete the error message by pressing the " A " key.

### 8.3 Reading and writing CVs or registers - step by step.

Reading and setting decoder features is always carried out as follows:

1. Select the programming mode (CV, register, page)
2. Select the CVs or registers to be read out/programmed
3. Read out the content of the $\mathrm{CV} /$ the register
4. Set a value into the $\mathrm{CV} /$ /the register.

Make sure that the locomotive whose address you wish to program is located on the programming track and that this programming track is connected correctly.

### 8.3.1 Selecting the programming mode



Enter the menus by pressing the shift key followed by the " 0 M" key and scroll through the menus using the " $0{ }^{\text {M" }}$ key until the display reads "Pro".

Confirm by pressing the "A" key. Press the " 0 M" key to scroll through the programming menus until the desired programming mode is displayed.
Confirm your selection with the "A" key. In the example above, the "CV" mode was selected.

### 8.3.2 Selecting the CV or the register

The section shows the options in CV mode. This same display will also be shown during the selection of "Page" mode. If the "Register" mode is shown, an "r" is displayed instead of the "c".


If you wish to read out the content of the $\mathrm{CV} /$ the register, proceed with the next section. If you wish to enter a different value into the CV/the register immediately, proceed with section 8.3.4.

### 8.3.3 Reading out the content of the CV or the register

Carry out steps in sections 8.3 .1 to 8.3 .2 if you have not yet done so.


If an error occurred during the programming procedure, a corresponding message is displayed. See section "Error messages during service mode programming " starting on page 27. Delete the error message with key "A".
If you wish to do so, you may enter a different value into the CV by proceeding with the next section.

### 8.3.4 Programming a value into the CV/ the register

To Carry out steps in sections 8.3.1 to 8.3.2 if you have not yet done so.



If the programming procedure was successful, the entered value is displayed.

You can alter the value again or return to the selection of a different CV with the "shift" key.

### 8.3.5 Setting individual bits

Some CVs have specific feature which are set by altering specific bits within the CV. In this case, it is much easier to alter the required setting by setting and deleting the respective bit, instead of calculating the relevant decimal value and programming it into the CV (which is of course also possible).
To alter individual bits in a CV (or register), proceed as if you were entering a value (sections 8.3.1 to 8.3.4) up to the point where you are able to enter a value for the CV. You will see the following displays


During "programming on the programming track" you can read out the selected bit by pressing key " A ". This is not currently possible to read using PoM. In the following sequence a "0" is shown instead of the line in the single digit space.


Press the "shift" key repeatedly to return to controlling locomotives (The LH90 displays the locomotive address).

### 8.3.6 Error messages during service mode programming

If an error occurs during the reading or writing procedure, you will receive one of the following messages:

A Short-circuit or overload was detected on the
 programming track. The locomotive or decoder is drawing power when it is not supposed to do so.
Check the wiring of the decoder, the decoder is defective or there are external loads that must be disconnected


No decoder acknowledgement was received during the programming operation. Possible cause is a bad contact between the locomotive on the programming track, a faulty connection or a decoder defect.

When an error message is displayed, press the "A" key to return to the selection of the programming mode.

### 8.4 Programming in operational mode - PoM

PoM (or Operations Mode Programming) allows you to set the value of any CV from 1 to 999 while the locomotive is anywhere on the layout. Please read the operational manuals of your locomotive's decoder to verify whether the decoder is capable of PoM. Locomotives which are not capable of PoM must be programmed on the programming track using service mode.
The procedures for using PoM are identical with the programming of a CV on the programming track. To enter PoM, select "PoM" during the selection of the programming method. Then

1. select the CV which is to be programmed
2. program a value into the CV

During PoM, it is also possible to set or delete individual bits in CVs.
The step-by-step procedure or setting the value of a CV is described in section 8.3.
If you are using a Gold decoder that implements
RailCom and you have an LRC120, then it is also possible to read
out the value of a CV using PoM. The read occurs each time you
press the $A^{\checkmark}$ key after entering a CV number or value. The
value of the requested CV is shown on the LRC120's display. It is
not possible to read out values in a CV using PoM for any decoder
that does not implement RailCom.

## 9 Function operations- The FUnc Menu (Menu

## Shortcut 4)

Function1 1-4 can be controlled by pressing the number key, Functions 5-8 can be controlled by pressing the shift key followed by the number key. The FUnc menu allows control of Functions $1-12$. This is an alternative way to access functions. Enter the

FUnc menu and them press "A". Functions 1-28 can be accessed through this method.

| $0^{M}$ | Fími | Used to access functions groups 1,2,3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $A^{\checkmark}$ | $F \cdot$ ? | F is flashing use the 4 key to scroll through the 7 function groups. Select the group by pressing " A ". |
| $4^{8}$ | 0 | Function group 1 switches functions 1, 2, 3 and 4 |
| $4^{8}$ | $\stackrel{\square}{5}$ | Function group 2 switches functions 5, 6, 7 and 8 |
| $4^{8}$ | $\stackrel{\square}{6}$ | Function group 3 switches functions 9,10 , 11 and 12 |
| $4^{8}$ | $\%$ | Function group 4 switches functions 13 , 14,15 and 16 |
| $4^{8}$ | 5 | Function group 5 switches functions 17, 18, 19 and 20 |
| $4^{8}$ | $\sqrt{5}$ | Function group 5 switches functions 21, 22, 23 and 24 |
| $4^{8}$ | 0 | Function group 5 switches functions 25 , 26, 27 and 28 |
| $A^{\checkmark}$ | E. . $]$ | Confirm your selection with the 'A' key. |

After selecting Function Group, the F is solidly lit, and now the indication dots are at the bottom showing what functions is on or off. turn off and on the functions by using the 1,2,3,4 keys.

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\text { —. . . . . } \begin{aligned}
& \text { Example at left indicates function group } 3 \text { with } 9,10,11 \text {, } \\
& \text { and } 12 \text { are "ON". To turn "OFF" press } \\
& \text { Key } 1 \text { controls F9, Key } 2 \text { controls F10, etc. }
\end{aligned}
$$

If you are operating you can leave this screen displayed and continue to operate the functions. Or a quick exit using $\hat{\mathrm{V}}^{+}$returns you to the currently operating address.
With Set-01, Set90, and Set100 you can control the speed and direction of the MU from any individual locomotive address that is within the MU. However, locomotive functions can only be controlled at the specific locomotive address.

## 10 Setting up momentary functions- The NoN Menu

This menu allows the functions 1-28 to become momentary or non-latching for a particular locomotive. In other words the functions are active only while the key is pushed and turns off when released.


Each locomotive can have any combination of latching or non latching functions
Function status is stored in the Command Station (LZV100). Database. Once set this information is stored and is usable by any handheld capable of using momentary functions.

## 11 Switching turnouts and signals- The Sch Menu (Menu Shortcut 2)

You can switch up to 999 turnouts and/or signals with the LH90 (depending on the command station used).

Enter the menus by pressing
 the shift key followed by the " 0 M" key and scroll through the menus using the " 0 M" key to the turnout menu "Sch" which is used to control turnouts.


Confirm the selection by pressing the "A" key. The display flashes " h " to indicate that you may now enter the desired turnout address.


While you are in the "Switching" menu, you can use the rotary control-knob to control the speed of the locomotive whose address was shown on the display when the switching menu was entered.
While you are in the "Switching" menu you can press the "2" key to increase the turnout number being controlled or press the " 3 " key to decrease the turnout number being controlled

## 12 Matching Throttle-Notches to the Speed StepsThe SPE Menu

The range from a stop to the maximum speed of a locomotive is divided into throttle-notches. In the prototype locomotive there is only a need for a very limited number of throttle notches. For our models we often want much smoother operation than offered in the prototype. The LH90 rotary control knob has internally 256 different throttle positions to provide the maximum smoothness in operation.
DCC decoders support a variety of speed step modes. The most common are 14, 28, and 128. Speed step modes reflect the number of throttle notches that the decoder will support. The LH90 supports all three of these speed step modes. Since different commands are sent to the decoder in all three modes it is necessary to match the number of LH90 throttle notches to the decoder's speed step mode. The LH90 default is 28 throttle notches which in combination with the smoothness of the LH90 rotary control knob provides the smoothness that most modelers desire.

The "SPE" menu is used to set or display the current number of throttle-notches being used by the LH90 for the specific locomotive address that was displayed prior to entering the menu. Possible values are 14, 27, 28 or 128 throttle-notches. The modes which are available depend on the command station used. Today most decoders are delivered $28 / 128$ speed step.
However, you might have some older decoders that support only 14 speed steps. If you desire to change the speed steps that the system uses for sending commands to the decoder, scroll through the stack until you reach the address whose throttle-notch you want to display or alter. Turn the rotary control-knob as far to the left as possible (throttle-notch 0).


Press the "shift" key and the " 0 " key to enter menu mode.


Press the " 0 " key to scroll to the menu "Display/ Alteration of throttle-notch mode"

Press the "A" key to select the menu. The current throttlenotch mode for the selected locomotive address is displayed.


Press the " 0 " key to scroll through the available modes to change the setting.


When the mode you desire is displayed, confirm your choice by pressing the "A" key.


Now the locomotive address whose throttle-notch you have altered is displayed again.

[^1]While in the "SPE" menu. if you only wish to display the current throttle-notch mode for the selected locomotive address and do not wish to make a change, press the $\hat{}^{+}$
key to exit the menu.
For locomotive addresses 100-9999, only the 28 and 128-throttle-notch modes are available for use.
To The locomotive decoder's speed step mode (set via CV29) must match the LH90 throttle-notch mode. The default for all current production decoders is 28 speed steps.

## 13 LH90 system settings- The SYS Menu

LH90 system settings are settings that affect the control of all locomotives, rather than an individual locomotive. The function of the emergency stop key or the current software version are examples of system settings you can display any or adjust.
The reading or setting of all system features is performed in a similar way:


Confirm your selection with key A.


From here onwards the numerical values are altered in the same way as for other menus. Now choose the desired system feature:

| $\mathbf{Y}$ | Generates |
| :---: | :--- |
| 7 | Pressing the emergency stop key causes the voltage on <br> the track is switched off. |
| 8 | Pressing the emergency stop key causes only the <br> locomotive with the address shown on the display to be <br> stopped. |
| 9 | Pressing the emergency stop key causes all locomotives to <br> be stopped, but the voltage on the track remains on. |
| 10 | Alteration of the XpressNet - address. |
| 11 | LH90 Software release is displayed. |
| 12 | Version number of LH90 is displayed. |
| 13 | Version number of the command station is displayed. |
| 14 | Stack size - The stack size can be set by entering a value <br> of between 2 and 8. |
| 99 | The configuration of LH90 is reset to factory default: <br> 1. Addresses 1 to 8 are entered in the stack. <br> 2. <br> The XpressNet address is set to 2. <br> 3. The voltage will be switched off when the emergency <br> stop key is pressed. <br> 4. The stack size is set to 8. |

### 13.1 Altering the XpressNet address (Sys 10)

When setting the XpressNet address, please bear in mind which device your LH90 is connected to.
The LZ100 and LZV100 command stations use XpressNet addresses 1 to 31 .
SET02, uses XpressNet addresses 1, 2, 3, 29, and 31.
The address selected must not be used by any other
XpressNet device connected to your layout!
To set the XpressNet address, proceed as follows:


Confirm your selection by pressing the "A" key.


## 14 Technical appendix

### 14.1 Error messages on the display

ErDi
LH90 always shows a message if you have done something which is not permissible at the time or if a certain function cannot be executed. To undo the relevant step, simply press


The following is a list of possible messages:

## Era 1 <br> During service mode programming an overload (short-circuit) was <br> detected. Perhaps the decoder is not connected properly or it is

 defective.During the programming or reading a decoder CV no decoder confirmation was received. This can be caused by the decoder not being
 properly connected to the programming output, the decoder is defective or not installed correctly, or the programming track is not connected properly.
ErC3 1. If displayed immediately after you plug in your LH90: the command station uses a software version which is older than version 3.0.
2. If displayed during adding a locomotive to a MU: You have not operated this locomotive address. You must operate a locomotive before you can add it to an MU.

ErQ7 The LZ100/LZV100 has encountered a data processing error. All information on speed, direction and special functions of the locomotives as well as on the status of turnouts and occupation detectors has been deleted. If this error occurs repeatedly, it may be the result of the power supply or it might be that the battery of the LZ100/LZV100 needs replacing. This battery makes sure that data are kept when the command station is switched off. Please contact your dealer or contact Lenz for further instructions..

Er98 The command sent from the handheld to the command station is not recognized by the command station. Normally this happens if the software version of the command station does not support this feature.

Typical example
You are trying to use Service mode Programming, but you have connected your LH90 to a Set-02.

### 14.2 Glossary

The most important terms of the Digital plus by Lenz ${ }^{\circledR}$ system:

| Address | The number of a locomotive, comparable to a telephone number. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Acceleration and <br> deceleration <br> delay | Setting on a locomotive decoder. The acceleration delay <br> determines how fast a locomotive reaches the speed belonging to a <br> higher speed step, the deceleration delay determines how fast a <br> locomotive reaches the speed connected with a lower speed step. |
| Configuration <br> Variable (CV) | Address, starting voltage, acceleration rate and deceleration rate <br> are examples of features which can be customized within the <br> locomotive decoder. You will find detailed information on the <br> features of Digital plus locomotive decoders in their respective <br> manuals, available from your dealer from our WWW site <br> (www.lenz.com) or direct from Lenz Elektronik GmbH ( send a <br> stamped addressed C5 envelope). |
| DCC | Abbreviation for "Digital Command Control". This term has come to <br> refer to the digital model railroad control system developed by Lenz <br> and standardized by the NMRA. |
| Locomotive <br> address | see address <br> Locomotive stack |
| "Index card box" that allows quick selection of a locomotive |  |
| address. |  |
| input devices | Devices that are used to control the model railroad. In the DIGITAL <br> plus system these are: hand held controllers, computer interface, <br> etc. |
| MpressNet | Controlling several locomotives at the same time with a common <br> address |
| plus input devices together |  |

## 15 Help in trouble shooting

| Problem | Possible cause | Solution |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Controlling locomotives: |  |  |
| Locomotive does not run | Wrong locomotive address in the display | Enter the correct locomotive address. |
|  | The system is set for 128 speed step operation and the decoder does not support this mode. | Change the system setting for this decoder to 14, 27 or 28 speed step operation depending on the capabilities of the decoder. |
| Locomotive does not react to the turning of the rotary control-knob. | Direction switch is in centre position. | Place the direction switch in the forwards or backwards position. |
| Locomotive does not react to the turning of the rotary control-knob. | Direction switch is in wrong position during the take over of the locomotive. | Place the direction switch in the position indicated by the flashing dot ( $\Rightarrow$ P. 7) |
| Unable to change the speed step mode | The speed of the locomotive is not 0 | Set the speed to 0 before setting the speed step mode. |
| Locomotive does not react when speed step mode 128 is selected | The locomotive decoder does not comprehend this mode | Select the 14,27 or 28 speed step mode for the use of this decoder. |
| Locomotive does not run using its basic address. | Locomotive is perhaps integrated in a multiunit/consist | Control the locomotive using the multi-unit/consist address. |
| Locomotive address on the display flashes. | Selected address is already being used on a different manual control. | Select a different locomotive or take over the locomotive: place the rotary control-knob and the direction switch in the correct position (see "Adapting the rotary controlknob position") and move the rotary control-knob briefly. |

$\left.\begin{array}{|lll|}\hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Locomotive lighting } \\ \text { (F0) switches on and off } \\ \text { when the rotary control- } \\ \text { knob is turned. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Locomotive decoder is set } \\ \text { at running-notch mode 14. } \\ \text { In the LH90 the relevant } \\ \text { address is allocated to the } \\ \text { running-notch mode 28. } \\ \text { Locomotive decoder is set }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Alter the running-notch mode } \\ \text { in the LH90 to 14 notches } \\ \text { or set the locomotive decoder } \\ \text { to 28 running-notches (set } \\ \text { CV29 Bit 2). }\end{array} \\ \text { The locomotive lights (F0) } \\ \text { do not respond when the } \\ \text { at running-notch mode 28. } \\ \text { In the system the relevant } \\ \text { in the system to 28 notches } \\ \text { or set the locomotive decoder } \\ \text { to 14 running-notches (delete }\end{array}\right\}$

## 16 North American Warranty

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EC This equipment complies with Part 15 of FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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[^0]:    The MU function requires the use of a LZ100, LZV100 or a "compact/commander" version 3.2 or greater.
    When using SET02, locomotives may only be added to or

[^1]:    Speed Step setting or display is only possible with the locomotive at a complete stop.
    To The locomotive's speed step setting is stored in the command station database and once set is available to all handhelds.

